



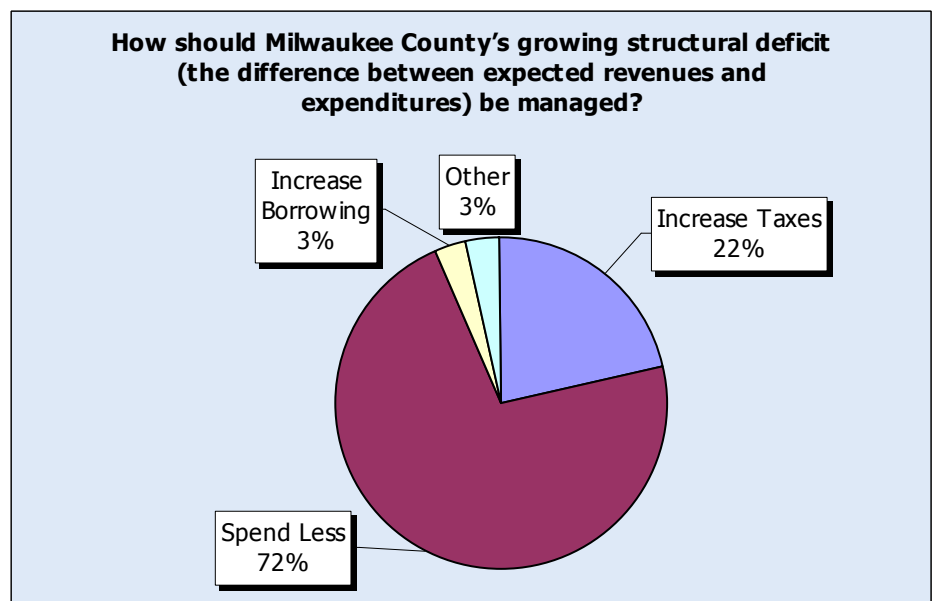
Milwaukee County Sixth District 2009 Constituent Survey Results

The following reports the results of a survey of 6th District residents conducted as part of my recent newsletter. A total of 351 people responded to the survey.

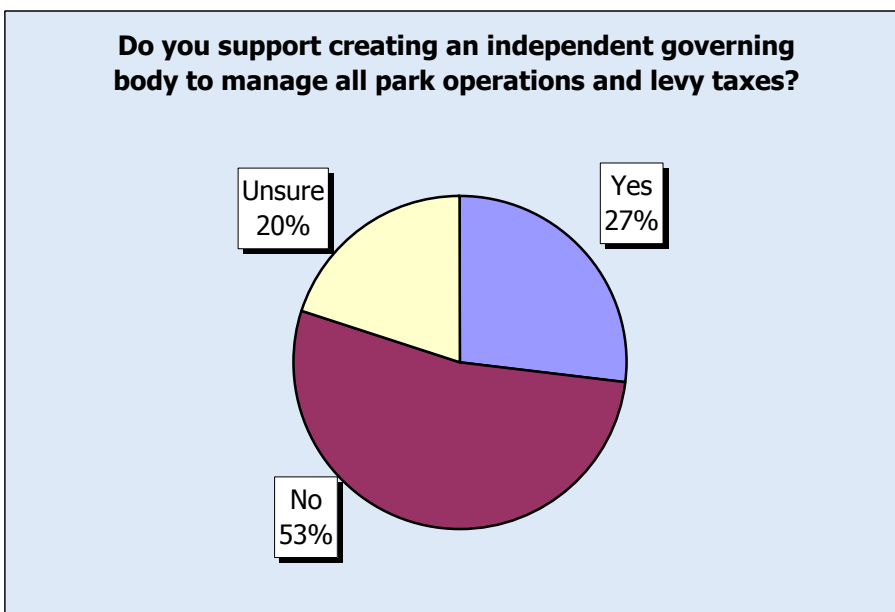
1. Addressing Milwaukee County's Structural Deficit

Asked to express their preference between reduced services and increased taxes to address projected structural deficits, a clear majority of respondents (72%) favor reduced spending. Less than a fourth of respondents (22%) expressed a preference for increasing taxes as a means to balance the county budget.

Compared to the previous year, survey respondents indicated opposition to increased spending in greater numbers (72% compared to 65% last year).



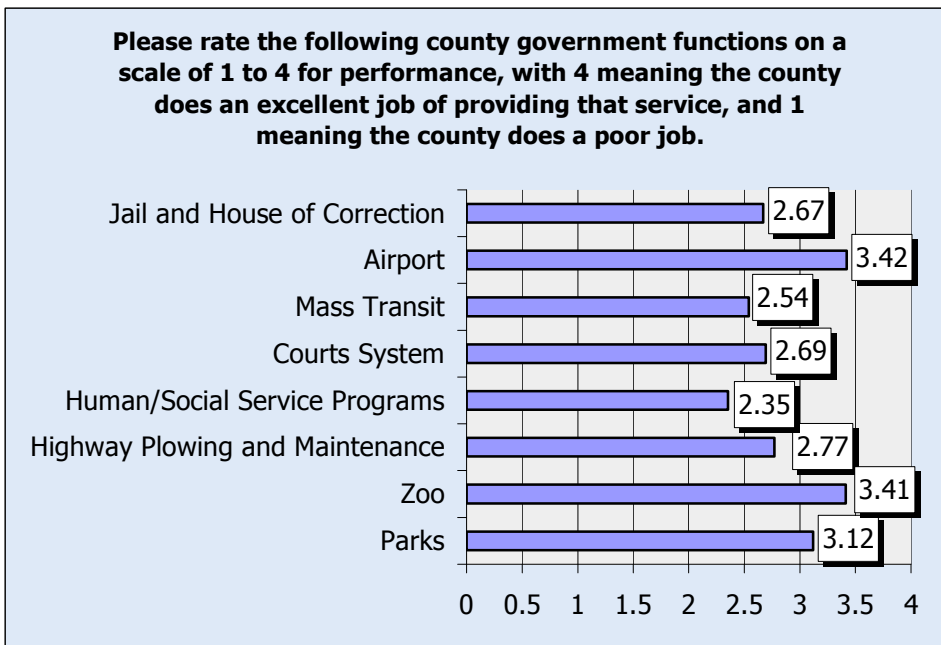
2. Creation of Independent Park District



Asked whether Milwaukee County should create an independently-elected Park District to manage park operations and levy a tax, a majority (53%) oppose the idea, with 27% agreeing it should be created.

These results are relatively consistent with the last year's where the similar number of respondents (51%) opposed the creation of the Park District.

3. Rating County Services



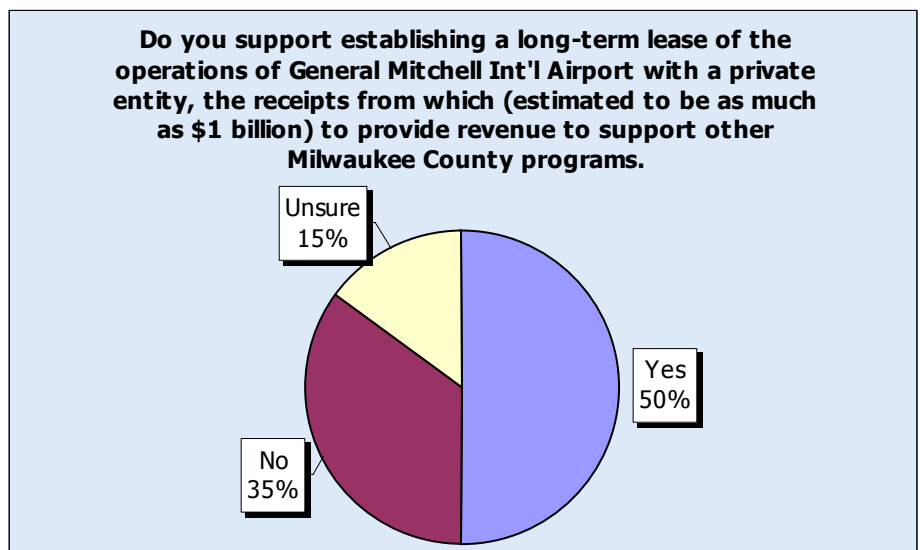
On a scale of one to four, with four indicating the county is doing an extremely good job in providing the service, survey respondents rate General Mitchell International Airport the highest (3.42) while the Milwaukee County Zoo closely follows with a 3.41 rating. Milwaukee County's social service programs received the lowest rating (2.35).

Last year respondents also identified the Airport and the Zoo as the two entities managed by the County that provide the best service. Mass transit received the lowest rating.

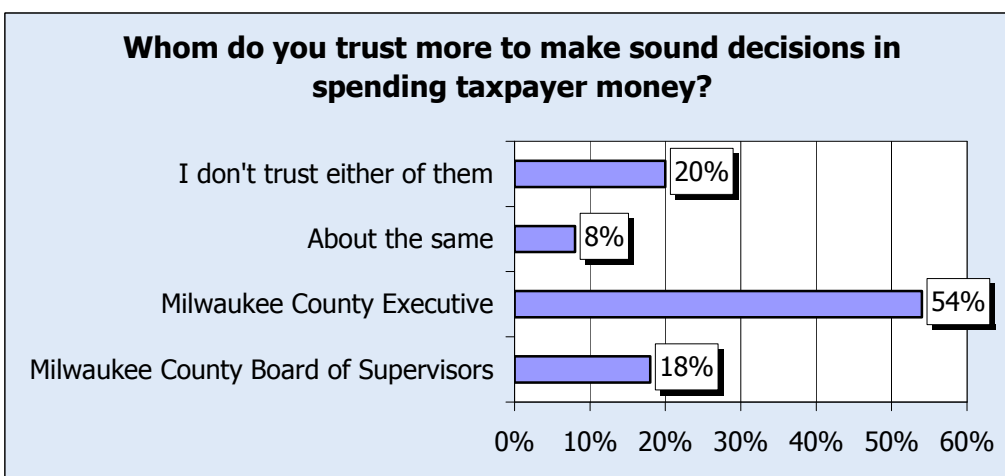
4. Lease of General Mitchell International Airport

When asked their views on leasing of General Mitchell International Airport to provide long-term revenue stream, 50% favored the idea, 35% opposed, and 15% were unsure.

Last year a similar number of respondents (48%) favored leasing the Airport, however, the number of those who oppose the measure has increased from 26% to 35%.

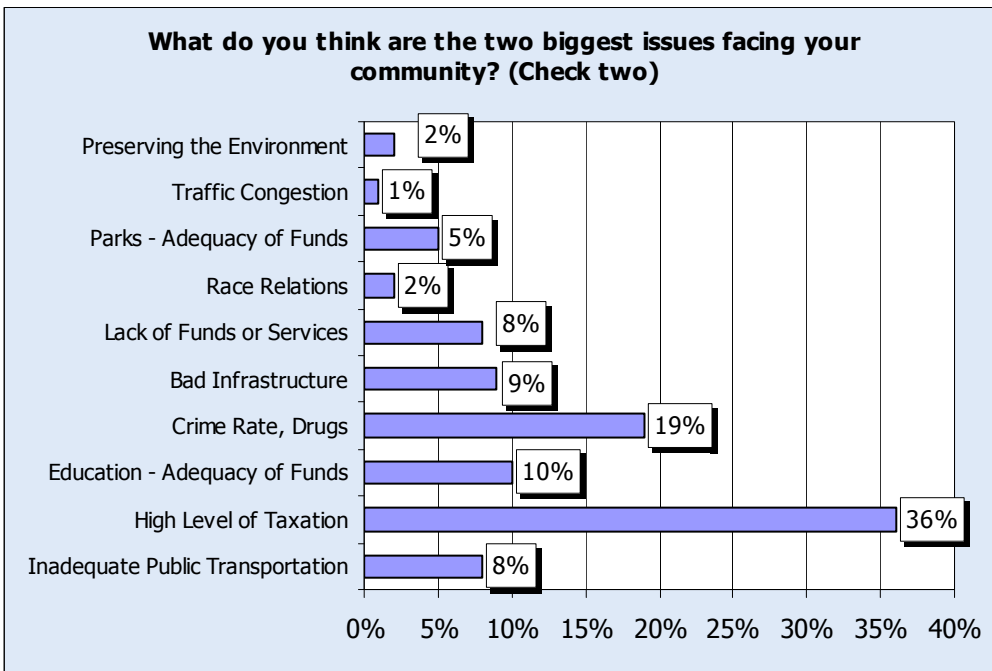


5. Trust in County Government



When asked whom they trust more to make sound decisions in administering taxpayer money, a clear majority (54%) trust the County Executive; 18% of respondents trust the County Board; 20% do not trust either of them; while 8% have about the same trust in both.

6. Most Pressing Issues Facing Milwaukee County



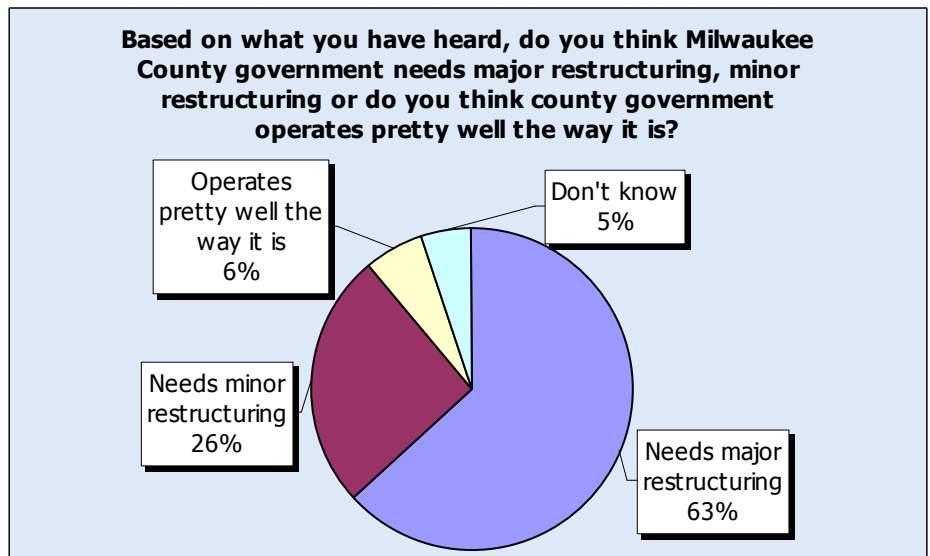
Survey responders identified the high level of taxation to be the most pressing issue facing Milwaukee County (36%). Crime rate was identified as the second most pressing issue, with 19% of respondents indicating so.

This year an even greater number of respondents indicated that the high level of taxation is the most pressing issue facing Milwaukee County (36% as opposed to last year's 29%). Crime rate/drugs was identified as second most pressing issue in last year's survey (21%).

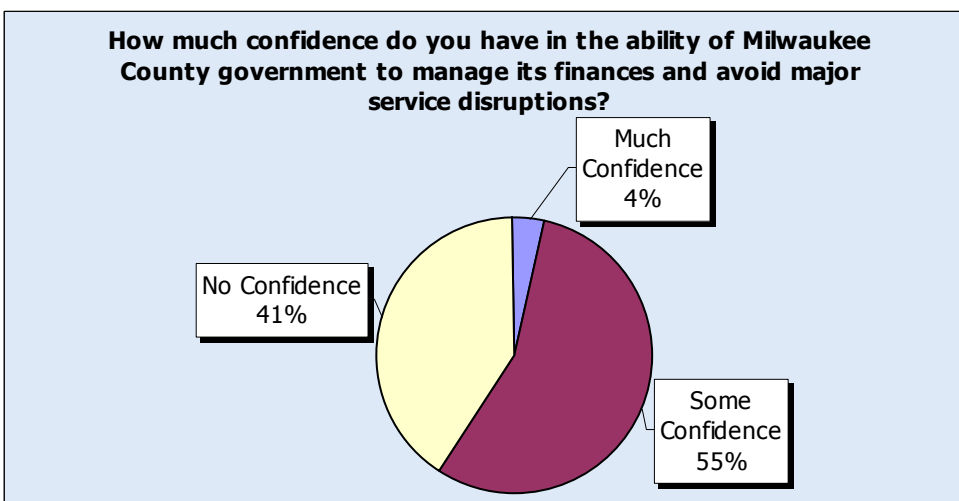
7. Need for Restructuring Milwaukee County Government

When responding to the question of whether Milwaukee County needs government restructuring, 63% favor major restructuring, 26% declared minor restructuring, and 6% feel it is operating well the way it is.

The number of those who would like to see major restructuring of Milwaukee County government has risen from 53% last year to 63% this year. The percentage of those who favor minor restructuring has declined from 31% to 26%.



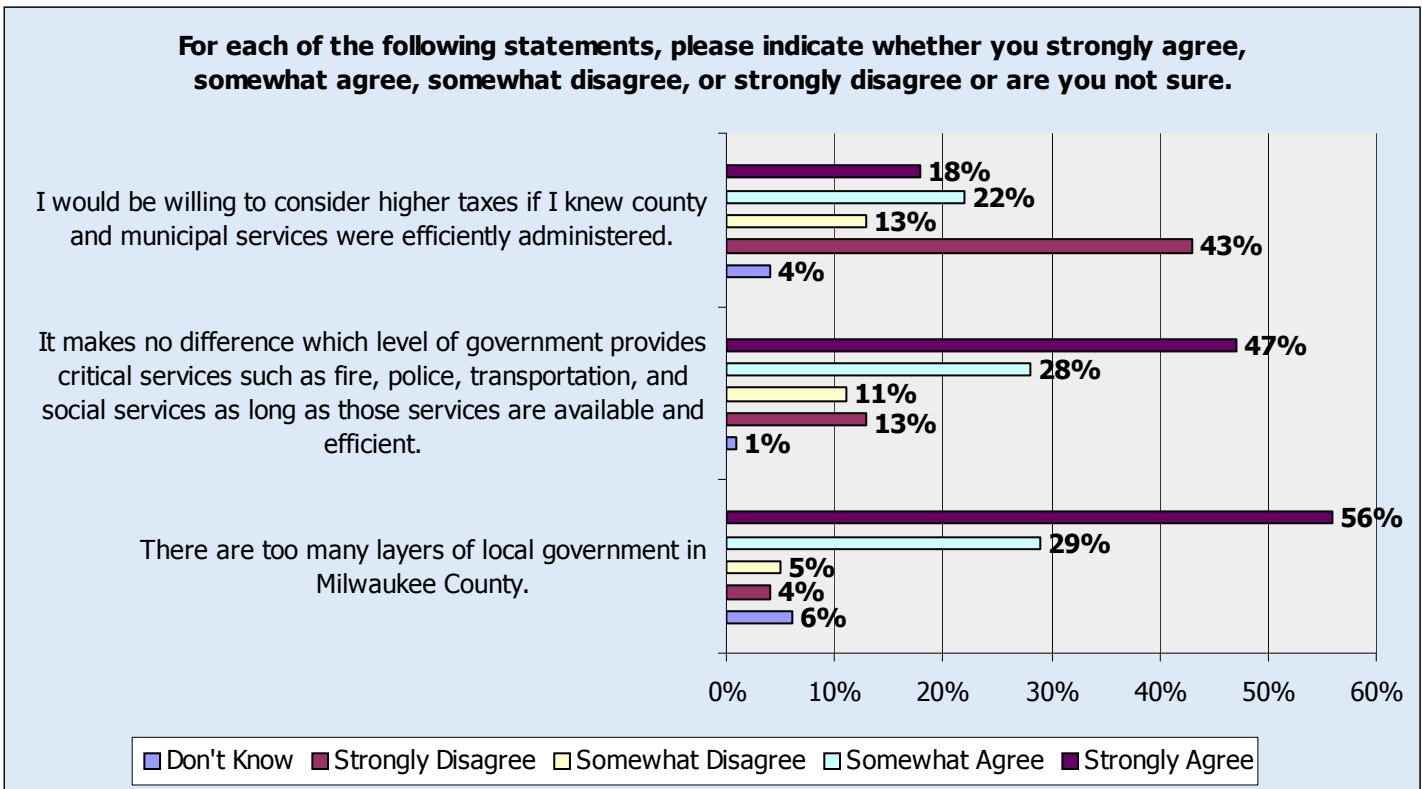
8. Confidence in County Government



When asked how much confidence they have in the ability of Milwaukee County Government to manage its finances and avoid major service reductions, 55% of respondents indicate that they have some confidence, 41% claim they have no confidence, while 4% have replied to have much confidence in the way their county government manages its finances.

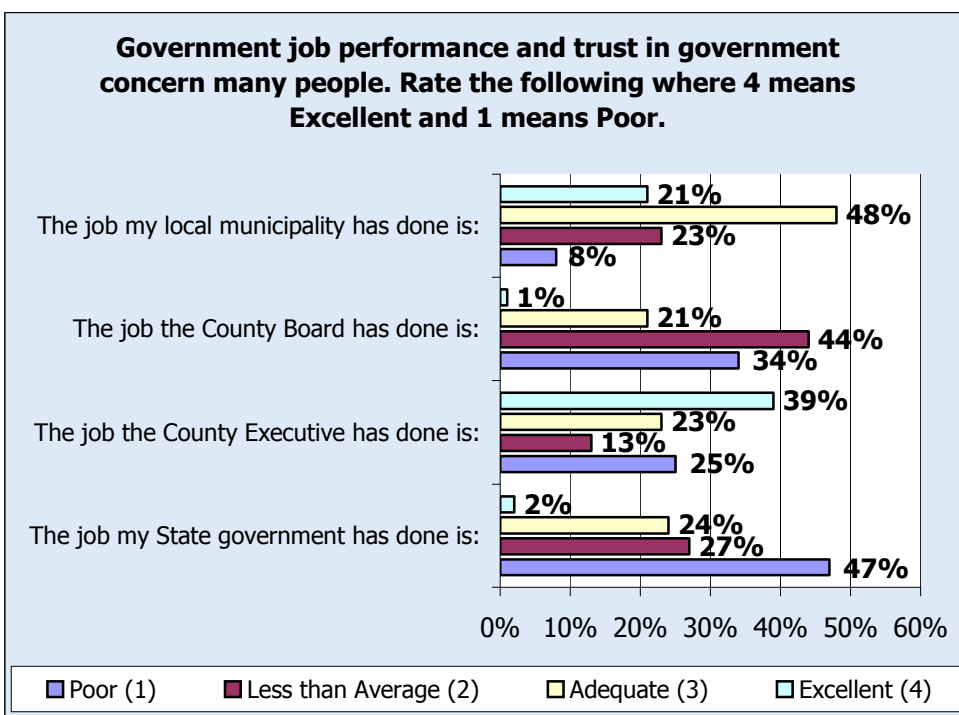
9. Layers of Government

Asked their views on government efficiency issues, survey respondents strongly agreed that there are too many layers of government (85%) and that it makes little difference which unit of government provides services (75%). A majority (56%), however, would not be willing to pay higher taxes for more efficiently administered services.



Compared to the 2008 survey, more respondents strongly agree that there are too many layers of government in Milwaukee County (from 43% to 56%).

10. Government Performance



In rating the performance of their state, county, and local municipal government, respondents expressed deep dissatisfaction with the Milwaukee County Board, as well as with State government. Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker ranks the highest in performance, with 39% of respondents rating his performance as excellent.